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Community Calendar

Flag Day celebration planned in Romulus

The City of Romulus and the members of the PVT James D Donovan/ Romulus VFW Post 78 will host a Flag Day service beginning at 11 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, June 14 at the Romulus Historical Park Pavilion.

The event commemorates the adoption of the United States Flag which took place June 14, 1777. The park pavilion is located at 36095 Goddard Road in the city.

Township police to give away 4 ring doorbells

During the Partners in Your Safety meeting set for 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, Northville Township Police will give away four Ring doorbell cameras.

Topics at the program will include new tools available to law enforcement, summer crime trends, home invasions and strategies to safeguard the community.

The meeting, open to the public, will take place at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

Museum hosts mysteries

June will be a mysterious time at the Plymouth Historical Museum with two events.

"Time Escape Adventure" is planned from 6 until 7 p.m. each Friday. The event is a team scavenger hunt where participants have entered a time portal to the 19th century, and challenged to locate a time machine to return to the present before being vaporized. For more information or to register, visit https://allevents.in/.../time-escape.../80001072382639

The museum will also host "The Mysterious Affair at Stirling Hall Murder Mystery" from 6 until 9 p.m. Saturday, June 29. Welcome to Stirling Hall, home of Lord and Lady Westby where the house and titles are set to be inherited by Ambrose Haines, a distant relative. When a woman is found without a pulse in the estate, the family members realize their problems are just beginning. For more information or to register, visit https://allevents.in/.../the-mysterious.../80002500768273

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$82.3 million budget approved in Westland

Members of the Westland City Council unanimously approved the $82.3 million budget proposed for 2024-2025 by Mayor Kevin Coleman.

Coleman noted in a prepared statement that the budget submitted June 3 was designed to support essential services and promote community growth.

"This budget marks a significant step forward in ensuring the continued safety, well-being, and development of our city," according to a posted comment.

The new budget allocates funding to enhance the capabilities of the city fire and police departments. Funding for a new fire station to be constructed at the old Hawthorn Valley site is included in the proposed expenses. The budget also includes funding for new investigative technology to be installed in the police department.

Coleman's budget also includes investments in city parks, including plans for Cayley Park, Corrado Park, Stottlemyer Park and Curtis Woods Park. Plans include upgrading recreational spaces in the parks.

The approved budget also includes detailed plans for the General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, and the Library Fund, all integrated into the six-year financial outlook of the city. This strategic approach ensures a balanced budget while maintaining an overall fund balance of $12 million, officials said.

No increases to the city millage rate were proposed maintaining the current tax structure.

Included in the budget was $5,150,000 in grant revenue from various sources, including the SAFER, ARPA, and JAG grants.

The councilmembers also approved the strategic restructuring within the building, planning, public services, and police departments which Coleman included in the budget.

A comprehensive 6-year capital improvement plan includes investments of $11.8 million for this budget and a total of $48.5 million during the next 6 years in major and local road funds, the Capital Project Fund, and the Water & Sewer infrastructure.

Coleman said the budget included community engagement and insight.

"The collaborative efforts of our residents, City staff, and Council members have been instrumental in shaping this plan,"

Westland Mayor Kevin Coleman

Coleman said. "I was encouraged by the unanimous support on the budget we received from Westland City Council.

"The investments in public safety, senior services, and parks and recreation will make sure Westland continues to offer great services without raising costs for taxpayers."

Let Freedom Ring...

Canton Township celebrates 31st Annual Liberty Festival

Visitors to Canton's 31st Annual Liberty Fest are in store for plenty of family-friendly activities this weekend as Heritage Park comes alive with live music and entertainment, exciting carnival rides and Midway games, arts and crafts, festival food, and a Beer Garden, as well as the Annual Liberty Run, a special Juneteenth Community Celebration and Friday night fireworks.

Canton Liberty Fest, presented by Neehee's and Pizzawala's, will take place from 1 until 10 p.m. today, Thursday, June 13, from 1 p.m. until 11 Friday, June 14 and from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Saturday, June 15 in Heritage Park, located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building. Additional major sponsors of the community event, include: Schoolcraft College, Trinity Health IHA Medical Group, Michigan Army National Guard, and WeatherGard.

As always, admission to the weekend celebration is free.

Carnival rides, games and attractions will be joined by concession stands and gourmet food trucks offering traditional festival foods, special dishes, beverages, and snacks.

The Canton Township Partnership for the Arts and Humanities will be hosting a Beer Garden, sponsored by West Side Beer Distributing, from 4 until 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday and from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Saturday. Visitors can cool off with a cold beverage near the Amphitheater, where a selection of craft beers, domestic beers, and seltzers will be available.

Volunteer support at the Beer Garden will be provided by members of the Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club, Rotary Club of Canton, Canton Chamber of Commerce, Relay For Life of Canton and Plymouth, and St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church. Festival-goers must be 21 years to purchase these adult beverages.

There will be activities and entertainment on both the Schoolcraft Collage LIVE! Stage and the Amphitheatre stage all three days of the event.

Canton Leisure Services is again joining forces with Running Fit to host the 10th Annual Liberty Run, including 5K, 10K, and One Mile events. Participants are encouraged to register at www.cantonlibertyrun.com and run, walk, or stroll in these events. Participants will also receive finisher medals, as well as a race T-Shirt. Plus, running-theme awards will be handed out to the best "Red, White, and Blue" running outfit.

Added to the festival this year is Family Fun Day, sponsored by Trinity Health IHA Medical Group, set for the Fun Zone on the north side of the park from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday

Hydration stations will be available throughout the park giving festival-goers a chance to cool off and organizers have suggested visitors bring a refillable water bottle.

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Juneteenth celebrations planned in several local communities

The Juneteenth holiday which commemorates the day in 1865 when 250,000 slaves in the state of Texas were declared free by the United States Army will be celebrated throughout the community this month.I Juneteenth, however, did not change the lives of slaves overnight and is considered the beginning of the struggle for freedom for many. As soon as the following year, local festivities were organized in African American communities to celebrate and remember the significance of June 19. The celebrations continued year after year.

In the 20th century, as African Americans from Texas and neighboring states spread throughout the country, so too did Juneteenth celebrations. In 1980, Texas became the first to make it a state holiday. Shortly thereafter, other states followed suit, along with organizations and businesses across the nation hosting events and educational opportunities dedicated to commemorating the significance of this day. In 2021, the day became a national holiday.

In Canton Township, Saturday, June 15, will mark a celebration of liberty as the Juneteenth holiday takes center stage in the Heritage Park Amphitheater during the Canton Liberty Fest set for June 13, 14 and 15 this year in Heritage Park.

Canton Liberty Fest set for June 13, 14 and 15 this year in Heritage Park.

In Inkster, the celebration of freedom is planned for noon until 5 p.m. Saturday, June 15 at Inkster Park. The annual Michigan United Juneteenth cookout at Inkster Park will include music, dancing, games and food. Guests are urged to bring a baseball glove to take part in the softball game.

The park is located at 1550 John Daly St.

The Leanna Hicks Public Library in Inkster will present "Walking in the Footsteps of History." The celebration will also include games, singing, dancing, food and interactive fun. The event is free and is planned for noon until 3 p.m. June 17. The library is located at 2500 Hamlin Dr. in the city.

In Romulus, the holiday will be celebrated with a family event from noon until 5 p.m. at Romulus Historical Park, 11120 Hunt St. Officials have planned a day to remember the past, and celebrate the future. The Freedom Day celebration will include vendors music, crafts, food trucks and fun, officials said.

Abraham Lincoln and his Emancipation Proclamation

In Westland, the Third Annual Juneteenth Heritage Day will take place from noon until 4 p.m. June 24 at Nankin Mills Park in Westland.

The theme for the 2024 event is Celebrating Family and Freedom. This free event is presented by the Huron -Clinton Metropark.The park is located at 33175 Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

Liberty Festival

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Walk on the Wild Side, featuring Oasis Animals will be available all day Friday and Saturday to provide visitors of all ages a chance to get up close and personal with some barnyard and exotic animals.

KultureCity sensory-friendly Rest & Relax Tents will also be available on the north and south side of Heritage Park, which will be a safe space for those with sensory challenges in which to rest. Parent Tents, will be available to serve as changing or feeding tents with furniture sponsored by IKEA.

The Liberty Fest Marketplace will be open from 4 p.m. until dusk on Friday and from 11 a.m. until dusk on Saturday and will feature merchandise from local artisans, crafters, businesses, and vendors. Booths will be set up around the large pond.

Other returning Liberty Fest attractions include the Scholastic Book Fair and LEGO Station provided by MichLUG (Michigan LEGO Users Group). In addition, Canton Lions Club members will be offering simple, free children's eye screenings during the festival, as part of their Lions KidSight USA, which is a nationwide program.

The Canton Liberty Fest mobile app for Apple and Android users will also be available prior to the event. Here festival-goers will be able to access everything about the event, including entertainment schedules and performer information, Carnival Zone information and festival food and drink information. Users will also receive news and updates during the three-day festival.

Event organizers strongly discourage visitors from bringing pets onto festival grounds. However, dogs that attend the festival must remain on a leash, be under

their owner's control, and be on their best behavior at all times. Festival-goers are reminded that all bikes must be parked in a bike corral. In addition, a convenient Uber, Lyft, or parent drop-off/pick-off spot has been designated on Civic Center Boulevard in front of the Canton Public Library's main parking lot. For more information, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5360.

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A large crowd gathered at the official celebration of the new Jack Wilcox Amphitheater at the Plymouth District Library last week. A combination of funding from the Wilcox Foundation, used-book sales by Friends of the Library, and private contributions made the new facility a reality, library officials said. The amphitheater will host readings, small musical acts, and entertainment. The Saturday ribbon cutting during the grand opening included refreshments and music provided by the Plymouth Community Band. The library was recently awarded a STEM grant by the Bosch Community Fund. The funds will support hiring student summer staff members to work in the library lab. The Teen STEM Corps program began last year with Bosch Community Fund support; it enables expansion of the lab hours during the summer months and affords greater opportunities to assist patrons with using the resources, noted Heather Pacheco, library community relations specialist.

Community relations officer is named

Cale Bell has been named as the new Canton Township Police Community Relations Officer.

Bell has been a patrol officer with the township department for five years, while also serving on the Community Engagement Team and as a TEAM instructor at some area elementary schools. In his new role, Bell said he plans to expand his work in the local schools, attend community events, and participate in department outreach activities.

Bell added he is excited to get out into the community this summer and plans to spend time on bicycle patrol in the neighborhoods and shopping centers, meeting and mingling with residents and business owners. Bell will also be responsible for providing public safety information

Cale Bell

and education to the community through programs, special events and social media. Information about the outreach program is available at cale.bell@cantonmi.gov.

Township of Sumpter
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL(S)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township of Sumpter, 23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI, will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to **2:00 p.m. Friday, June 21, 2024**, for the following:

ENTRY & EXIT DOORS REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT OF DOORS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township of Sumpter, 23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI, will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to **10:00 a.m. Friday, June 21, 2024**, for the following:

BANOTAI AND GRAHAM PARK PARKING LOT SURFACES RECOMMENDATION(S) & COMPLETION OF INTERIOR ROADWAY & PARKING LOT(S)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township of Sumpter, 23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI, will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to **2:00 p.m. Friday, June 28, 2024**, for the following:

PARKING LOT SURFACES RECOMMENDATION(S) & BID(S) PROJECT

Bid(s) can be submitted separately per location or combined; please ensure your bid proposal indicates the PROJECT LOCATION(S) name.

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/townshipofsumpter; proposal packets can be found at the Clerk's Office and the Township website at https://sumptertwp.org/bid-opportunities/. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address, and telephone number. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or the provisions of services.

Esther Hurst, Clerk
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EZ STORAGE
14415 N. Sheldon Rd.
Plymouth, MI 48170 • (734) 354-9610

STORAGE SALE NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that EZ Storage, Lessor, will sell at Auction to the highest bidder, at its office at 14415 N. Sheldon Rd. Plymouth, MI 48170 on the 10th July 2024 at 04:00 PM, local time, The Property of its Lessee(s) described below for storage costs specified plus legal costs of sale, all as provided for by the terms of the lease.

UNIT	TENANT NAME
2133	ERIC SHEMBER

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP

TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE

The Sumpter Township Board of Trustees approved the following text amendment to the Township Ordinance language changes made to the Ordinance Section 5.3. Accessory Buildings, structures, and uses: addition to Paragraph 1" One (1) detached accessory structure in conformance with Section 5.3, Accessory Buildings, Structures, and Uses with the intent of 100% habitable space for an immediate family member in addition to the principal building shall be permitted in the AG-RM zoning districts. Such structures shall adhere to all applicable building codes and sections within this ordinance."

Also amended was adding footnote "j" to Section 4.18 – Schedule of area, height, and placement regulations, to be placed in the "Minimum Floor Area Per Dwelling Unit (d)" column in AG-RM zoning districts. Footnote "j" will contain the following: "Subject to Planning Commission approval, proposed single-family dwelling units may be constructed with a size less than 1,200 square feet, subject to meeting all applicable building codes and zoning ordinance requirements."

This notice is published pursuant to the requirements of Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 27, 2024, for the following:

REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF CARPET AT SUMMIT ON THE PARK

Bids may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 27, 2024, for the following:

REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF HVAC AT BARTLETT-TRAVIS HOUSE

Bids may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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INVITATION TO BID
CITY OF ROMULUS
ITB 23/24-16 - PROJECT #0155-23-0050 SMITH ROAD WATER MAIN PROJECT

The City of Romulus is requesting sealed bids for the **Smith Road Water Main Project**. The project is located on Smith Road between Merriman and Middlebelt Roads. The work includes up-sizing the water main from 8-inch to 12-inch on Smith Road.

No pre-bid meeting is required.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City of Romulus Clerk until 2:00 PM local time, June 25, 2024. All bids should be clearly addressed:

ITB 23/24-16 - PROJECT #0155-23-0050 SMITH ROAD WATER MAIN PROJECT
City of Romulus Clerk's Office
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, MI 48174

Contract documents shall be on file after 1:00 PM, June 11, 2024, at, at the City of Romulus Clerk's Office or may also be examined from the office of the City's Engineer, OHM Advisors, 34000 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI 48150 (phone 734-522-6711).

Companies can also view or download copies of the plans and bid documents from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn).

Bid security in the form of a Certified or Cashier's Check or bid bond for a sum no less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid will be required with each Bid.

The City of Romulus reserves the right to accept or reject any bid or waive irregularities in Bids. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of the Bids. A contract may ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

Neither the submission of nor acceptance of any bid shall constitute a contract between any bidder and the City of Romulus. No such contract shall exist without first being approved by a formal action of the members of the Romulus City Council and only after all required bonds and proof of insurances and copies of endorsements have been received by the City and the agreement is signed by authorized representatives of the City of Romulus and the successful Bidder.

All questions regarding the project or the ITB documents should be directed only to Rich Hobgood of OHM at 734-466-4492 or via email at rich.hobgood@ohm-advisors.com on or before 5:00pm Tuesday, June 18, 2024.

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